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Letter dated 3 January 2017 from the Permanent Representative of the Russian Federation to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to transmit herewith information bulletins from the Russian Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic for the period from 30 December 2016 to 2 January 2017 (see annex).

I should be grateful if this letter and its annex could be circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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Annex to the letter dated 3 January 2017 from the Permanent Representative of the Russian Federation to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

Information bulletin of the Russian Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic (30 December 2016)

Reconciliation of opposing sides

Over the past 24 hours, two ceasefire regime agreements have been signed with populated areas in Ladhiqiyah governorate.

The number of populated areas that have joined the reconciliation process has increased to 1,079.

Over the past 24 hours, no ceasefire agreements have been signed with illegal armed groups.

Negotiations on joining the ceasefire regime continued with field commanders of armed groups in Mu'addamiyat al-Shaykh in Damascus governorate and armed opposition units in Aleppo, Hama, Homs and Qunaytirah governorates.

Observance of the ceasefire regime

Over the past 24 hours, there were 12 reports of shelling by armed groups in Damascus governorate (6), Aleppo governorate (5) and Hama governorate (1).

In Damascus governorate, multiple-launch rocket systems, mortars and small arms were used to fire on Jawbar (twice) and Damascus city.

In Aleppo governorate, groups from the Jabhat Fath al-Sham (Nusrah Front) terrorist organization used multiple-launch rocket systems, mortars and small arms to fire on Shurfah and on the Ashrafiyah, Dahiyat al-Assad, Jam'iyat al-Zahra' and Jam'iyat al-Fayha' neighbourhoods in Aleppo city.

Terrorists shelled Jawbar, Qubtah and Hawsh Nasri in Damascus governorate; and Hama city in Hama governorate.

The Russian and Syrian air forces did not carry out any strikes against opposition armed groups which had announced that they would cease hostilities and had informed the Russian or American reconciliation centres of their location.

Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic

Over the past 24 hours, three humanitarian operations have been carried out, during which the following humanitarian cargoes were delivered to civilians:

- Approximately 500 kg at the temporary accommodation facilities in the Azizi district of Aleppo city
- Approximately 700 kg at a school in the Mahmud Khuri district of Aleppo city
- Approximately 1 ton at a school in Hamdaniyah district, in the 3000 neighbourhood of Aleppo city

Centres providing hot meals and urgent necessities are continuing to operate for civilians.

Information bulletin of the Russian Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic (31 December 2016)

Reconciliation of opposing sides

Over the past 24 hours, two ceasefire regime agreements have been signed with populated areas in Ladhiqiyah governorate.

The number of populated areas that have joined the reconciliation process has increased to 1,081.

Over the past 24 hours, no ceasefire agreements have been signed with armed groups.

Negotiations on joining the ceasefire regime continued with field commanders of armed groups in Mu'addamiyat al-Shaykh in Damascus governorate and armed opposition units in Homs, Hama, Aleppo and Qunaytirah governorates.

Observance of the ceasefire regime

Over the past 24 hours, there were 13 reports of shelling by armed groups in Damascus governorate (6), Aleppo governorate (5) and Hama governorate (1).

Mortars and small arms were used to fire on Nayrab in Aleppo governorate; and on Hama city in Hama governorate.

In Aleppo governorate, groups from the Jabhat Fath al-Sham (Nusrah Front) terrorist organization used mortars and small arms to fire on the Dahiyat al-Assad (twice), 1070 and 3000 neighbourhoods in Aleppo city and the area at elevation point 452.

In Damascus governorate, terrorists shelled Jawbar (six times).

The Russian and Syrian air forces did not carry out any strikes against opposition armed groups which had announced that they would cease hostilities and had informed the Russian or American reconciliation centres of their location.

Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic

Over the past 24 hours, two humanitarian operations have been carried out:

- In the Sakhur-3 district of Aleppo city
- In the Takaniyat Al-Hasub temporary accommodation centre in the Bab Umar district of Homs city

Centres providing hot meals and urgent necessities are continuing to operate for civilians in Aleppo city.

Information bulletin of the Russian Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic (1 January 2017)

Reconciliation of opposing sides

Over the past 24 hours, three ceasefire regime agreements have been signed with populated areas in Ladhiqiyah governorate.

The number of populated areas that have joined the reconciliation process has increased to 1,084.

Over the past 24 hours, no ceasefire agreements have been signed with armed groups.

Negotiations on joining the ceasefire regime continued with field commanders of armed groups in Mu'addamiyat al-Shaykh in Damascus governorate and armed opposition units in Aleppo, Hama, Homs and Qunaytirah governorates.

Observance of the ceasefire regime

Over the past 24 hours, there have been 21 reports of shelling by armed groups in Aleppo governorate (7), Damascus governorate (6), Ladhiqiyah governorate (5) and Hama governorate (3).

In Hama governorate, mortars and small arms were used to fire on Suran and Ma'an and on government troop positions to the west of Ma'an.

In Ladhiqiyah governorate, there was firing on the positions of border troops of the Syrian Arab Republic, the eastern outskirts of Barisha and the positions of the Syrian army to the east of Kansaki.

In Aleppo governorate, groups from the Jabhat Fath al-Sham (Nusrah Front) terrorist organization used mortars and small arms to fire on the Binyamin (twice), Ansari and Layramun neighbourhoods, on the Hikmah School in Aleppo city and also on Zahra' and Shurfah.

In Damascus governorate, terrorists shelled Jawbar, Qubtah, Hawsh Kharabu, Hawsh Nasri and Hawsh al-Shalq.

The Russian and Syrian air forces did not carry out any strikes against opposition armed groups which had announced that they would cease hostilities and had informed the Russian or American reconciliation centres of their location.

Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic

Over the past 24 hours, two humanitarian operations have been carried out:

- In the Shaykh Maqsud district in Aleppo city
- In Sa'sa' in Damascus governorate

Centres providing hot meals and urgent necessities are continuing to operate for civilians in Aleppo city.

Information bulletin of the Russian Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic (2 January 2017)

Reconciliation of opposing sides

Over the past 24 hours, two ceasefire regime agreements have been signed with populated areas in Ladhiqiyah governorate.

The number of populated areas that have joined the reconciliation process has increased to 1,086.

Over the past 24 hours, no ceasefire agreements have been signed with armed groups.

Negotiations on joining the ceasefire regime continued with field commanders of armed groups in Mu'addamiyat al-Shaykh in Damascus governorate and armed opposition units in Homs, Hama, Aleppo and Qunaytirah governorates.

Observance of the ceasefire regime

Over the past 24 hours, there were 34 reports of shelling by armed groups in Damascus governorate (16), Ladhiqiyah governorate (7) Aleppo governorate (6) and Hama governorate (5).

In Damascus governorate, multiple-launch rocket systems, heavy machine guns, mortars and small arms were used to fire on Ard al-Saqiya, Barzah, Jawbar, Jawr al-Basha, Hatitat al-Jarash, Hawsh al-Khayyat Hawsh al-Faddaliyah and Qadsayya.

In Ladhiqiyah governorate there was firing on government troop positions near the area at elevation point 962 and on Ayn al-Asharah, Khawr and Qara Jaghiz; and in Hama governorate on Muhradah, Suran, Kawkab, Hama an Khattab.

In Aleppo governorate, groups from the Jabhat Fath al-Sham (Nusrah Front) terrorist organization used multiple-launch rocket systems, heavy machine guns, mortars and small arms to fire on the Ashrafiyah, Jam'iyat al-Zahra', Dahiyat al-Assad, Layramun, 1070 and 3000 neighbourhoods in Aleppo city.

Terrorists shelled Jawbar (three times), Irbin, Qabun, Qubtah, Hawsh Nasri and Hawsh al-Faddaliyah in Damascus governorate; and Shir al-Dab'ah and government troop positions in the areas at elevation points 428.5 and 409.5 in Ladhiqiyah governorate.

The Russian and Syrian air forces did not carry out any strikes against opposition armed groups which had announced that they would cease hostilities and had informed the Russian or American reconciliation centres of their location.

Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic

Over the past 24 hours, two humanitarian operations have been carried out, during which approximately one ton of humanitarian cargo was delivered to civilians:

- At the Baytar temporary accommodation centre for civilians (Zahra' district of Homs city)

• At Sulayman al-Khatir School (Ansari district of Aleppo city)

Centres providing hot meals and urgent necessities are continuing to operate for civilians in Aleppo city.